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# **Crop Progress and Condition**



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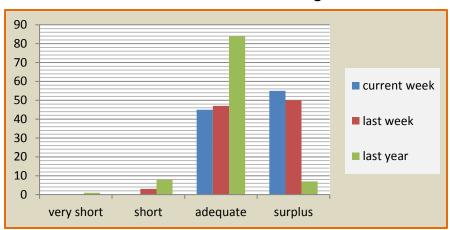
<u>Agricultural News</u>: Days suitable for fieldwork were 3.3. Fieldwork continues to be limited with rainy and snowy weather conditions; fields are very wet and muddy. Farming activities this week included planting wheat, harvesting corn and soybeans.

## SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/18/18

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	%	%	%	%	
Topsoil	-	-	45	55	
Subsoil	-	-	53	47	

<sup>-</sup>Represents zero.

## **TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 11/18/18**



## **CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 11/18/18**

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Soybeans	-	12	14	73	1
Cattle & Calves	-	-	15	78	7
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	10	80	9

<sup>-</sup> Represents zero.

## CROP PROGRESS for week ending 11/18/18

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg	
	%	%	%	%	
Corn harvested for grain	62	51	73	82	
Hay third cut	93	88	99	99	
Soybeans dropping leaves	93	87	97	99	
Soybeans harvested	43	36	67	75	
Winter Wheat planted	60	54	89	88	
Winter Wheat emerged	44	38	56	66	

<sup>-</sup> Represents data not available or zero.

#### Weather Summary- For the week ending November 18, 2018

Cold air moved in early and remained over West Virginia for the majority of the week. During this time, multiple waves of instability kept weather somewhat active with plenty of cloud cover and precipitation early. A surface cold front reinforced the cold air mid-week allowing the last half of the week to dry out and remain cool. With these winter-like weather systems, temperatures barely climbed out of the 40s for most of the week and the warmer temperatures were only felt on the last day of the week. Low temperatures dropped into the 20s across the State. All stations reported excess precipitation this week, and nearly every station statewide reported greater than one inch of precipitation. Weston, Martinsburg, and Keyser all received over two inches. The active weather was due to the multiple waves of instability, as well as the cold front that pushed through. The weather associated with the cold front was West Virginia's first big taste of winter weather for the season. The mountains received a couple inches of snow, while the majority of the State received some snow flurries or ice.

<u>Temperatures</u>: Huntington had the highest recorded temperature of 61 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 21 degrees. The state average temperature was 36 degrees.

<u>Precipitation:</u> Weston had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.25 inches. Wheeling had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.95 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 1.64 inches.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 11/18/18

Tempe	Temperature and Frecipitation Bata for the			Precipitation					
				eekly	We	eek's	Since April 1st	Same Week	Season
Station	High	Low	Average	Departure	Total	Norm	2018	Last Year	Normal
NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	52	25	35	-10	0.95	0.73	42.98	34.57	26.31
PARKERSBURG	60	28	36	-10	1.28	0.80	35.53	36.70	27.54
CRESTON	60	26	36		1.70		42.08	27.83	
NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	57	28	36	-9	1.22	0.85	37.58	36.37	28.46
CLARKSBURG	59	29	38	-6	1.32	0.90	38.38	38.30	30.88
BELINGTON	57	28	36		1.35		48.18	37.26	
WESTON	58	28	36		2.25		53.79	39.47	
SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	59	28	40		1.34		32.30	41.64	
HUNTINGTON	61	28	37	-10	1.47	0.82	39.67	32.47	28.15
CHARLESTON	60	28	37	-11	1.84	0.91	41.69	31.98	29.35
RIPLEY	60	26	36		1.70		39.91	29.66	
CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	47	21	31		1.81	0.00	53.02	44.62	04.05
ELKINS	57	26	36	-6	1.89	0.80	51.14	32.07	31.25
MARLINTON	52	27	36		1.84		40.77	34.30	
SOUTHERN		22			4 4 4	0.00	20.07	22.42	20.07
BECKLEY PINEVILLE	54 59	23 28	35 39	-9	1.44 1.67	0.69	36.67 35.14	33.43 37.76	28.07
BLUEFIELD	59 55	26 24	39 34	-13	1.65	0.61	35.14 35.56	37.76 35.83	26.62
WHITE SUL SP	53	24 25	3 <del>4</del> 35	-13	1.79	0.61	35.56 40.62	33.63 28.09	26.63
BLUESTONE DAM	53 57	23	36		1.63		35.94	29.36	
NORTHEASTERN					1.03			29.30	
MARTINSBURG	47	28	37	-8	2.18	0.73	49.98	31.12	26.62
KEYSER	45	25	35	J	2.22	0.70	48.81	32.61	20.02
MOOREFIELD	47	25	37		1.43		35.21	27.79	
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State Average Temperature	36								

State Average Precipitation 1.64

#### Source:

Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.